

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective January 1, 2003

Application or Docket Number

10608362

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	19 minus 20 = *	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 minus 3 = *	8
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 19	Minus ** 20	= 0
Independent	* 5	Minus *** 3	= 2
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	375.00	OR	BASIC FEE	750.00
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL	375	OR	TOTAL	

SMALL ENTITY

OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=	200	OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	200	OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X42=		OR	X84=	
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
 - ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
 - *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
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PATENT
Application Serial No. 10/608,362
Attorney Ref. No. 023US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of)
Miles et al.) Group Art Unit: 3732
App. Ser. No. 10/608,362)
Filed: June 26, 2003) Examiner: Pedro Philogene
For: SURGICAL ACCESS SYSTEM)
AND RELATED METHODS)

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RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2005, the shortened statutory for which expired on December 19, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the application be amended as follows:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.138(a) FY 2005 <small>(Fee pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4172))</small>		Docket Number (Optional) 023451
Application Number 10/608,362	Filed JUNE 26, 2003	
For SURGICAL ACCESS SYSTEM AND RELATED METHODS		
Art Unit 3932	Examiner PEDRO PHILOPONE	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.138(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	Fee	Small Entity Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$80	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ 510.-
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1580	\$795	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$ _____

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number **50-2040**. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

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I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/98).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number **40,152**

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____

Signature

JONATHAN SPANGLER
Typed or printed name

MARCH 20, 2006
Date

858-243-0029
Telephone Number

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☐ Total of _____ forms are submitted.

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